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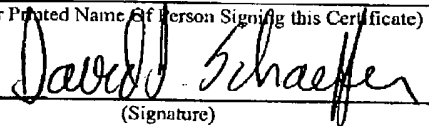
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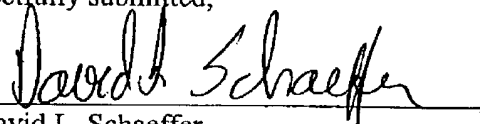
Sir:

As explained in detail below, Applicants already have orally requested withdrawal of the outstanding Office Action dated August 12, 2003, in the subject application, and this request has been granted by the Examiner.

Specifically, the Interview Summary form dated November 18, 2003, a copy of which is annexed, states that August 12 Office Action has been withdrawn on grounds the Office Action contains improper double patenting rejections.

This paper is being filed because, to date, no further action on the merits has been received. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request either prompt allowance of this application or issuance of a new Office Action.

Respectfully submitted,

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<b>Interview Summary</b>	Application No.		Applicant(s)	
	09/297,289		MOTOKI ET AL.	
	Examiner		Art Unit	
	Jeanne-Marguerite Goodwin		2841	MW

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Jeanne-Marguerite Goodwin. (3) \_\_\_\_\_

(2) David Schaeffer. (4) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Interview: Aug. 28 & Nov. 13.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference  
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.  
If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_

Claim(s) discussed: 14-40 and 54-57.

Identification of prior art discussed: \_\_\_\_\_

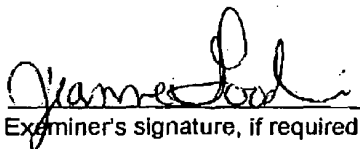
Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The last Office Action mailed Aug. 12, 2003, has been withdrawn based upon an improper double patenting rejection over application 09/859,929 to Motoki et al., wherein a restriction requirement was made in parent application 09/297,289.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

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